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Rear Admiral Paul G. Gaffney Chief of Navai Research Ballston Center, Tower 1 800 North Quincy Street Arlington, Virginia 22217

Dear Admired Gaffney:

I want to express my appreciation for the outstanding support we continue to receive from Mr. Emie Renner and the staff of the Best Manufacturing Practices Center of Excellence (BMPCOE). For the past three years, Emie and his organization have provided vital support to our mission to educate and train the acquisition workforce. The BMP Center has assisted us in developing course curriculum so our students are better aware of the Progrem Manager's Work Station (PMWS), and the capabilities of the Navy's Manufacturing Technology Program. The classroom presentations and demonstrations Mr. Renner and members of his staff have given our students have resulted in strong positive feedback. As a result, many of our students maintain contact with the BMPCOE after graduation, requesting briefings for their organizations, and staff engineering support for their programs.

Please pass along my thanks to Ernie for his continuing support. He has done a great job for you as a champion of the BMPCOE. We look forward to continue working with you to keep the DoD acquisition team informed of the Navy's Science and Technology program.

Sincerely,

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